

Ex-Parishioners Persuade Pastor to Come to City

(This is the third in a series of articles about the pastors of local churches, presenting the work and program of the congregations and their future plans.)

It was 17 degrees below zero when the Rev. Freeman A. Brunson, then serving in Rantoul, Ill., got a phone call from some of the members of a former congregation, asking him to come to the Nazarene Church of the Nazarene. That was one of the reasons that Rev. Brunson and his family came to Torrance four years ago. Illinois was in the midst of winter storms, while the Californians reported the strawberries were in bloom here, he recalls.

Coincidence played a part in Rev. Brunson's selection, since the local members who were instrumental in getting him to come to Torrance were members of a church in Midland, Mich., at the time he had served there. The members, employed by the Dow Chemical Co., came to Torrance from Midland, and when a vacancy at the local church occurred, thought of Rev. Brunson.

New Church Built
In the four years since Rev. Brunson came to Torrance, a new church sanctuary, at 1501 W. Carson St., has been built almost entirely by volunteer labor, as well as a new educational unit. The new buildings are valued at about \$60,000, but only cost a little over \$27,000 to construct, with the help of the congregation.

The Nazarene congregation now numbers more than 125 persons, with a number of new additions during the past four years.

A native of Illinois, Rev. Brunson was graduated from the Olivet Nazarene College and was ordained in 1938. He has since taken post-graduate work in speech at the University of Illinois.

Many Pastorates
His years in the ministry have included pastorates in Mt. Pleasant, Port Huron, and Midland, Mich.; Rantoul and Sedell, Ill.; and Canton, O. During his pastorate at Rantoul, Ill., located near Chanute Air Base, his congregation included many airmen. His young people's Sunday School class included at one time 30 men and five women, he noted.

Although he had originally hoped to become a teacher of the works of the English poet, Tennyson, he later changed his mind and decided to enter the ministry.

While a senior at the Nazarene College, he met the future Mrs. Brunson, who was also a student there. Since college restrictions were rather strict, Mrs. Brunson accompanied her future husband on a date as a chaperone. The minister, however, was so impressed by the chaperone, that he started going with her.

Three Young Brunsons
The couple now have three children—Ronald, 16; Robert, 13; and Nancy, 10.
Rev. Brunson is an enthusiast.

'Why Call Ye Me, Lord,' Is Sunday Topic
'Why Call Ye Me, Lord, Lord?' will be the sermon topic of the Rev. George F. Cain at the South Bay Baptist church, 8465 Sharynne Lane, Sunday morning.

In the evening, he will speak on "The Sin of Nadab and Abihu" at 7:30 p.m. Youth groups will meet in the Social Hall and sanctuary at 8:30 p.m. Sunday school for all age groups will convene at 9:30 a.m., with crib nursery care during the church service.

Studies of the Gospel of John will be continued at the Wednesday evening Bible study and prayer meeting.
Saturday and Monday evenings will be work times on the new educational unit, while Ralph Hallgrimson will lay out work for persons who cannot work at these times.

Large Crowd Hears Field
One of the largest crowds in the history of the Torrance Church of Christ assembled last Sunday morning to hear Evangelist Boyd Field deliver the opening message in the current series of sermons.
Mr. Field will be speaking each night until August 24. This Sunday morning the sermons will deal with "The Word of God." The evening will tell of "The Great Invitation."



REV. FREEMAN A. BRUNSON
... Displays Antique Lamp and Cracker Bowl

astie antique collector, with an impressive array of old lamps and dishes which he picked up from his midwestern parishioners and friends. His interest in old things began when he was given a mustache cup at a party. Friends gave him more cups, and he soon branched out to other fields of antiques.
He also paints in his spare time, and collects postage stamps, as well as being an ac-

complished amateur upholsterer.
Many people nowadays do not take their religion seriously enough, Rev. Brunson feels, and do not realize how their lives could be enriched through the church.
He points with pride to the large number of men and women in his congregations who have gone into Christian work through the years.

Methodists to Hold Picnic in WALTERIA PARK

An all-church and Sunday school picnic will be held Sunday at WALTERIA PARK by members of the WALTERIA Community Methodist church.
Members will meet at the church at 12:30. The lunch will be pot luck, with ice cream and drinks furnished.
There will be supervised games with prizes, under the direction of Herb Farris, Fenton Van Camp, and Joan Cunningham. For adults, there will be baseball games.

Rolling Hills Officer at Fort Lewis

Second Lt. Kenneth M. Poovey, 23, son of Roy D. Metcalf, No. 2 Empty Saddles Road, Rolling Hills, is a member of the 2nd Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Wash.

Valuable combat experience obtained in Korea by the "Indianhead" division is utilized in the vigorous training of the unit.
Lieutenant Poovey, assistant executive motor officer in Battery A of the division's 15th Field Artillery Battalion, entered the Army in August, 1954.

Member of Sigma Pi and Phi Beta Kappa fraternities, he was graduated in 1954 from the University of California at Los Angeles.

Glazer Wins Photo Prize

After judging more than 1200 photographs taken directly from a television home set screen, the magazine TV-Radio Life this week announced that first prize in the grand finals of their Fan-Photo contest has been awarded to Barney Glazer.
Glazer writes a column for the HERALD.
Many weeks of competition were staged by the magazine and first prize for the second week was awarded to Glazer. Then, winners of each week's competition were pitted against one another in the judging of the grand finals.
According to Don Andrews, of TV-Radio Life magazine, the stills taken by Glazer from the screen of his home television set were of excellent clarity and closely approximated the quality found in live shots.

UCC Plans Dividend

The board of directors of Union Carbide and Carbon Corp. has declared a cash dividend of 75 cents per share on the outstanding capital stock of the corporation payable Sept. 1, 1955, to stockholders of record Aug. 5, 1955.
The last quarterly dividend was 50 cents per share paid June 1, 1955.

God As Mind Named Topic For Sunday

That God is supreme in wisdom and gives this wisdom to those who truly ask it is the substance of the Lesson-Sermon on "Mind" to be read in Christian Science services Sunday.

The Golden Text quotes Paul writing to the church at Corinth and saying, "Who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him?" (I Cor. 2:16). In a letter to the Philippians he admonishes, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5).

As correlative to the latter quotation Mary Baker Eddy states in her text book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures": "Having one God, one Mind, unfolds the power that heals the sick, and fulfills these sayings of Scripture, 'I am the Lord that health thee,' and 'I have found a ransom.' When the divine principles are understood, they unfold the foundation of fellowship, in which one mind is not at war with another, but all have one spirit, God, one intelligent source, in accordance with the Scriptural command: 'Let this Mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus'" (p. 276).

Engineering Classes Set

A series of evening courses for petroleum engineers are announced by the University of Southern California for the fall term beginning Sept. 19.
Included are special classes in subsurface methods, reservoir engineering, electric logging, secondary recovery of oil, advanced calculation methods, and studies of natural gas and gasoline, according to Dean Carl Hancey.
More than 100 courses are included in fields of mechanical, chemical, electrical, civil, industrial, and general engineering.
The majority of classes meet weekly on campus during the 18-week term and offer college credit. The new detailed bulletin is available on request at University College headquarters at Richmond 2-2311.

Quigley in Air Force Radio, Radar School

A/3c Larry P. Quigley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peary Quigley, of 1543 W. 219th St., is now assigned to Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., the electronics center of the United States Air Force.
A student in the radio and radar maintenance section, he came to Keesler after completing basic training at Parks Air Force Base, California.

'Rocket Away to Jesus,' Is Theme Of Bible School

Vacation Bible School at Park View Lutheran church started last Thursday with the slogan, "Rockets Away to Jesus."
Every boy and girl who attends the Lutheran VBS will take a "rocket trip" to the moon, to Mars and to heaven, until Aug. 26. That evening at 7:30 p.m. the pupils and the faculty will present to the community the program in miniature of what they learned and enjoyed at the school.
Attendance so far includes 118, according to Mrs. Marie Slavens, church secretary. The Lutheran VBS, stressing the theme "Our Lord's Prayer" in the Bible stories, mission stories and all activities, invites the boys and girls in the community from 4 1/2 to 15 years of age to come to the final week.
Park View Lutheran church at its recent special congregational meeting voted to postpone for the present the opening of its Christian Day school.
Miss Georgene Wernli, delegate from the local Luther League, will leave next Sunday to attend the 12th International Luther League Convention held at Texas A & M College, College Station, Tex., Aug. 23 to 28, where over 4000 young people and families will be assembled.

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